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**IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
UTAH COUNTY, STATE OF UTAH**

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<b>STATE OF UTAH,</b>  <b>Plaintiff,</b>  <b>vs.</b>  <b>BILLY JOE POE</b>  <b>DOB: 10/26/1988</b> <b>SID: 1405795</b>  <b>Defendant.</b>	<b>INFORMATION</b>  <b>Case No.</b>  <b>Judge</b>  <b>OTN:</b>  <b>Bail:</b>
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The State of Utah, by and through the Utah County Attorney’s Office, charges the defendant with the commission of the following offense(s):

**COUNT 1: PROPERTY DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION (Domestic Violence), a Class A Misdemeanor (with prior), in violation of Utah Code Ann. §76-6-106.1(2), in that on or about 6/1/2023, in Utah County, the defendant, BILLY JOE POE, did (1)Terms defined in Sections 76-1-101.5 and 76-6-101 apply to this section.**

**(2)An actor commits property damage or destruction if the actor under circumstances not amounting to arson or criminal mischief:**

- (a)damages or destroys property with the intention of defrauding an insurer; or**
- (b)intentionally damages, defaces, or destroys the property of another.**

**furthermore:**

**(iii)class A misdemeanor if the actor's conduct causes or is intended to cause pecuniary loss equal to or in excess of \$500 but is less than \$1,500 in value; and**

(iv) class B misdemeanor if the actor's conduct causes or is intended to cause pecuniary loss less than \$500 in value.

(3)(b)(iv) class B misdemeanor if the actor's conduct causes or is intended to cause pecuniary loss less than \$500 in value.

In addition, pursuant to Utah Code 77-36-1.1(3)(b) the defendant committed this offense

(i) within 10 years after the day on which the defendant was convicted of a qualifying domestic violence offense that was not a criminal mischief offense; or

(ii) within five years after the day on which the defendant was convicted of a criminal mischief offense.

Further, the defendant and victim were or are cohabitants as defined by Utah Code 78B-7-102.

COUNT 2: ASSAULT(Domestic Violence), a Class A Misdemeanor (with prior), in violation of Utah Code Ann. §76-5-102(2), in that on or about 6/1/2023, in Utah County, the defendant, BILLY JOE POE, did (a) attempt, with unlawful force or violence, to inflict bodily injury on an individual; or

(b) commit an act, with unlawful force or violence, that:

(i) caused bodily injury to an individual or;

(ii) created a substantial risk of bodily injury to an individual.

In addition, pursuant to Utah Code 77-36-1.1(3)(b) the defendant committed this offense

(i) within 10 years after the day on which the defendant was convicted of a qualifying domestic violence offense that was not a criminal mischief offense; or

(ii) within five years after the day on which the defendant was convicted of a criminal mischief offense.

Further, the defendant and victim were or are cohabitants as defined by Utah Code 78B-7-102.

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT: Andrew Moore of the Provo Police Department, having probable cause to believe that the defendant committed the above-listed offense(s), submitted the following evidence in support of the filing of this Information:

The statement of [REDACTED] to Provo City Police Officer A. Moore, that her former intimate partner, Defendant, BILLY JOE POE, sometime in June of 2023, while at her home in Provo, Utah County, Utah, Defendant was drunk and in possession of a knife. [REDACTED] barricaded herself in her room and Defendant began stabbing at the door with the knife. [REDACTED] eventually let Defendant into the room and she put her hand over Defendant's mouth to quiet him. Defendant then bit [REDACTED] on the hand.

Officer Moore went to [REDACTED]'s residence and saw what appeared to be multiple knife marks that caused damage to the door.

NOTICE is given that Defendant has previously been convicted of a qualifying domestic violence offense within the last ten years. To wit: 3rd District Court

case 191905511. Furthermore, Defendant was a cohabitant of the victim.

Based upon evidence received from Andrew Moore of the Provo Police Department, I have reason to believe the defendant committed the offense(s) as charged herein.

Authorized for presentment and filing this January 22, 2024.

UTAH COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

Sworn to by:

/s/ James Watabe

James Watabe

Deputy Utah County Attorney